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Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, DC 20231

Re:

U.S. Utility/Design Patent Application

Appl. No. 09/484,331; Filed: January 18, 2000

For: Compositions and Methods for Non-Targeted Activation of

**Endogenous Genes** 

Inventor(s): Harrington et al

Our Ref: 0221-0003L

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

- 1. Response under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.111 and 1.115;
- 2. Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136;
- 3. Declaration of John J. Harrington;
- 4. Curriculum Vitae of John J. Harrington
- 5. Our check in the amount of \$55.00; and
- 6. A return postcard.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 50-0622.

Respectfully submitted,

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